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NOTE FOR: Director

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I sent [] to cover the Kastenmeier hearings this morning and he is writing up a detailed memorandum. However, from his oral report to me it appears that Larry Silberman's efforts with Rodino and Kastenmeier yesterday were effective. Several members started to press Bill Cotter about the Agency mail intercept program and were steered away by Kastenmeier and other members. []

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STATINTL [] but did not zero in on the Agency. The only specific discussion of the Agency program came up in the discussion of "national security" mail openings. When Cotter was asked about these he discussed Post Office regulations and said the only openings that were authorized were those pursuant to court order. He was then asked if this meant the Agency program was not authorized and he said that was correct.

I talked with Larry Silberman and told him his meeting was obviously helpful as far as today's hearing went even when they went into executive session. Larry said the next problem is the Justice review of the activity.

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